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In the application of:

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SWITCHING OF TRANSMISSION  
DEVICES IN RING-TYPE  
ARCHITECTURES CARRYING MPLS  
PACKETS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper

Amenments to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.